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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2003 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on January 21, 2004. Applicant submits the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. Also submitted with this amendment is a Request for three-month Extension with the required fee, to extend the period of reply to April 21, 2004, along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicant believes this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance. Applicant's remarks are attached hereto and start on page 2.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 4.

Please replace the claims with the attached amended claims.